

FROM MEXICO.

We find the following items of intelligence in the New Orleans Picayune of the 1st inst.

It has been said in this country that the men of Mexican hands in London have presented Lord Palmerston to demand of Government of the United States a payment of the payment of the Mexican money until the rights of the English citizens shall be assured, or until Mexico shall ratify the convention concluded with Robertson, the English agent.

The Mexican papers think neither the English Government nor that of the United States will accede to this proposition, because, according to principles recognized by nations, the English creditors can have their claims before the Mexican tribunals, and in case justice be denied, the English Government and that of Mexico settle the affair without the intervention of my third power.

From Chihuahua we have a file of papers reaching to March 5. They contain an account of the conflict between a party of Americans and the inhabitants of a mining village of Jesus Maria, advertising its name since. In this encounter two Americans were killed. They were brothers, named David and Robert Anderson.

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The prisoners in the jail at Bangor made a desperate attempt to escape on Monday night last, and notwithstanding the keeper was previously informed of the attempt, and the precise time it would be made, one of the most desperate of the number escaped. The prisoners had made fixtures of one of the iron bedsteads, had axed holes and a very sharp knife. The keeper went to the door, backed by the City Marshall and a number of constables and citizens; but so powerful was the rush made by the prisoners, that the lights were extinguished and a terrible fight in the dark took place.

In a DILEMMA. There is an individual in this city who is rather singularly circumstanced. He finds himself engaged to two women—but yet he cannot marry either without the other prosecuting him for a breach of promise. He has been regularly and formerly published to both of them. Some time since the earliest of the two in his affections had the publication suspended while it was yet going on—for the purpose of ascertaining whether the story she had heard was true, viz: that her intended already had a wife living. Having satisfied herself that he was not married, she refused to relinquish him—though he had in the meantime engaged himself to another, and has been legally published to her. The first says she will sue him if he does not marry her, and the second will sue him if he does. This is a bad & very distressing case, and so long as it is impossible to satisfy them, or make any compromise that shall bind him to one, without the consent of the other—perhaps the lawyers may recommend him to drop them both, and take some new fair one—perhaps a combination of the two females to relieve the male. A new chapter must be written on the Pursuit of Marriage under difficulties. [Lowell Courier.]

PROTECTION OF THE PRESS. Henry Kiefer, a musician, was convicted by a Pittsburgh Court recently of cowsliding an editor for a criticism upon him. In passing sentence the judge said:

"You have been found guilty of assault and battery. If you had been killed or slandered in a newspaper, you might have had a legal redress. Artists, as well as statesmen and politicians, are open to criticism. The man who in this country, where liberty reigns, and where all men should be sensitive of their honor, raises a complaint to his neighbor should be prepared to die at his feet. It is a gross outrage. The sentence of the court is, that you pay a fine of \$100 and the cost of prosecution."

"Good mawm, Miss Primp—how's your health since you took the water?" "Much better, I thank you. Now I'm so much stout and fresh, I shall send me again next summer."

THE WEALTHY MEN OF BOSTON.— Mr. John H. Eastburn, city printer, has just published in a thick pamphlet of 130 pages, a catalogue of persons, firms and corporations that were taken on \$60000 and upwards, in 1842; from which it appears that 5071 individuals and corporations, in this city, paid taxes on the above sum, last year. By this estimate and reckoning the population of the city at 140,000 it appears that at least one-sixth of the voters of Boston pay a tax of \$6000, or more.

The richest man of Boston, according to the tax-book is Abbott Lawrence, who pays a tax on one million, or \$1,032,400, exactly. Seven more persons pay more than half a million, viz:—Robert G. Shaw, \$829,000; David Sears, \$725,000; Jonathan Phillips, \$688,000; John Quincy, Jr., \$619,600; John Willes, \$616,000; Thomas Wiggleworth, \$556,000; John Bryant, \$542,700. The tax of Nathan Appleton is \$428,000; of James Parker, \$481,000.

The following persons were taxed for \$300,000, and upwards:—John C. Gray, Samuel and William Appleton, Edward Brooks, Peter C. Brooks, Henry Codman, B. W. Crowningshield, George W. Gerish, Peter Parker, the late Geo. Parkman, Edward H. Robbins, Samuel Bradford, Thomas Thompson, William Winchester.

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GUTTA PERCHA. Nothing will better illustrate the infinite variety of uses to which this substance may be applied, than its complete adaptation to every work connected with the creation of a book. From a paper very difficult to rend, and especially adapted to any documents exposed to wear and tear, as bills of exchange, share certificates, &c., and also for wrappers and envelopes of all sorts may be made.

It may be mixed with colors in printing, and thus a degree of permanency be given to impressions which they would not otherwise possess. A strong and perfectly water-proof fabric may be formed, by simply laying a number of gutta percha threads, side by side, upon a foundation of cotton, linen, or other textile substance, and passing it between two heated rollers, which has the effect to cement the threads firmly to the cloth and to one another; and finally, the carriage being an open one, the driver told the passengers to jump for their lives. All jumped but Mr. John D. Nutter, the well known manufacturer of church organs, his wife and little boy, a Mrs. Stevens, and two Misses Appleton, of Boston. Mr. Nutter finally leaped out and the ladies were left alone. The horses plunged furiously down the hill, at the bottom of which was a curve in the road, were all expected to be upset and killed. Just before reaching this place, one horse tripped and fell, which so far checked the others as to enable all the ladies to alight without a particle of injury. Mr. Nutter escaped with a dislocated shoulder, and some sprains and bruises, and not a life was lost. Mr. Nutter is doing well.—*Clementine Eagle.*

HOW TO WRITE FOR NEWSPAPERS.

1. Have something to write about.
2. Write plain; dot your i's; cross your t's; point your sentences; begin them with capitals.
3. Write short; to the point; stop when you have done.

4. Read it over; abridge and correct it until you get it into the shortest space possible.

5. Pay the postage.

These rules observed will always insure the publication of an article, and what is more desirable to the writer, will secure its being read.

CONSUMPTIVE READER. The great and only remedy for your disease, in any of its forms, is a simple diet, as affected by the following simple means, as recommended by Dr. J. H. SPENCER, of London, England. This is no quack nostrum, but an established remedy, which opens up the eyes of the world to the truth of the matter.

1. Eat nothing but what is easily digestible, and which will not irritate the bowels.

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